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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed August 31, 2006, in the above-identified application. The response is timely because it is submitted within the period of reply ending November 30, 2006. In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 18, 19, 25-27, and 31; objected to claims 20, 28-30, 32, and 33; and allowed claims 21-24 and 34-45.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 7.